

## Article - Public Safety

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§2–308. IN EFFECT

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- (iii) because of a pending prosecution.

(b) (1) The Department:

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(ii) at least monthly shall publish statistics about the occurrence and cause of all motor vehicle accidents in the State.

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(3) The Department shall distribute the reports required by this subsection to:

- (i) each agency or unit that contributed information contained in the reports;
- (ii) the press; and
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(c) (1) The fee for conducting a document search is \$4.

(2) The Department shall apply the money received from conducting document searches to the cost of providing this service.

(d) (1) The Department shall provide to the Baltimore City Health Department's Office of Youth Violence Prevention and the Baltimore City Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice, on a written request, information concerning:

(i) a victim of a crime of violence, as defined in § 14–101 of the Criminal Law Article, who is a child residing in Baltimore City; and

(ii) a child convicted of a crime or adjudicated delinquent for an act that caused a death or near fatality.

(2) The Baltimore City Health Department's Office of Youth Violence Prevention:

(i) shall keep confidential any information provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection; and

(ii) may use the information solely to develop appropriate programs and policies aimed at reducing violence against children in Baltimore City.

(3) The Baltimore City Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice:

(i) shall keep confidential any information provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection; and

(ii) may use the information solely to develop appropriate programs and services to a child who is the subject of the record, for a purpose relevant to the provision of the programs and services.

(4) (i) The Baltimore City Health Department's Office of Youth Violence Prevention or the Baltimore City Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice shall be liable for the unauthorized release of information provided to it under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(ii) Within 180 days after the Baltimore City Health Department's Office of Youth Violence Prevention or the Baltimore City Mayor's

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